1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE 9 CMRE FINANCIAL SERVICES INC., 10 PROFESSIONAL CLAIMS BUREAU CASE NO. 2:22-cv-00298-RAJ-BAT LLC, 11 ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S Plaintiffs and Counter-Defendants, 12 MOTION TO DISMISS **COUNTERCLAIM AND** v. 13 GRANTING IN PART, PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO DOXO INC., 14 STRIKE AFFIRMATIVE **DEFENSES** Defendant and Counter-Claimant, 15 16 Having reviewed the Report and Recommendation of the Honorable Brian A. Tsuchida, 17 United States Magistrate Judge, any objections or responses to that, and the remaining record, 18 the Court finds and **ORDERS**: 19 1. The Court **ADOPTS** the Report and Recommendation. 20 2. Plaintiffs CMRE Financial Services, Inc. and Professional Claims Bureau, LLC's 21 Motion to Dismiss/Strike Defendant DOXO, Inc.'s Counterclaim and Motion to Strike 22 Affirmative Defenses (Dkt. 19) is **granted in part and denied in part** as follows: 23 ORDER DENYING PLAINTIFF'S MOTION TO DISMISS COUNTERCLAIM AND GRANTING IN PART, PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO STRIKE AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES - 1

Plaintiffs' motion to strike Doxo's Affirmative Defense No. 2 is granted and the motion to strike Affirmative Defense Nos. 1, 3, 4, and 5 is denied. It is further **ORDERED** that Affirmative Defense Nos. 1, 3, 4, and 5 shall be considered general denials or objections only.

The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to the parties and to Judge Tsuchida and to re-refer this matter to Judge Tsuchida for further pretrial proceedings.

The Honorable Richard A. Jones United States District Judge

Richard A Jones

**DEFENSES - 2**